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CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2008, 3:30 – 5:00 P.M.
4th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, ANDY HOLT TOWER

Members Present: Michael Zemel (Chair), Ed Caudill, Bob Compton, Stephen Kania. Also Attending: Vincent Anfara, Carolyn Hodges, Kay Reed.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Michael Zemel, Chair. The committee discussed the bylaws and operating procedures. One change was recommended for approval by the Graduate Council as follows:

BYLAWS AND OPERATING PROCEDURES

ADDITION OF BOLDED TEXT:

4. Non-tenure track faculty may be considered for limited approval to direct dissertations. Where such approval is sought, departments should provide evidence of scholarly activity along with a letter of support from the department head. The results of the vote of the tenured faculty vote should be provided. The evidence forwarded should consist of (a) a list of peer-reviewed publications; (b) a list of grants and other external validation or support of creative and scholarly activity; (c) other evidence that may be relevant to the approval to direct dissertations. Evidence of participation in graduate training should be provided. **It will be expected that department heads and senior faculty will mentor non-tenure track faculty members as they master the art of working with students on their dissertations.**

The committee will continue the review and discussion of changes to the bylaws and operating procedures.

The following faculty members were recommended for approval by the Graduate Council to direct dissertations as follows:

FACULTY MEMBER	FACULTY RANK	DEPARTMENT	APPROVAL
Angelle, Pamela	Assistant Professor	Educational Leadership & Policy Studies	Approved Until Tenure
Bogue, E. Grady	Professor	Educational Leadership & Policy Studies	Approved Until September 2018
Cable, Sherry	Assoc. Professor	Sociology	Approved Until September 2018
Ekici, Kivanc	Assistant Professor	Mechanical, Aerospace, & Biomedical Engineering	Approved Until Tenure
Frankel, Jay I	Professor	Mechanical, Aerospace, & Biomedical Engineering	Approved Until September 2018

Hix, William	Res. Asst. Professor	Physics & Astronomy	Approved Until September 2013
Hulsey, Darrin	Assistant Professor	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology	Approved Until Tenure
Kalyanaraman, Ramakris	Associate Professor	Materials Science & Engineering	Approved Until 2018
Kelly, Nathan	Assistant Professor	Political Science	Approved Until Tenure
Morgan, Jana	Assistant Professor	Political Science	Approved Until Tenure
Simpson, Michael	Adjunct Assoc. Professor	Materials Science & Engineering	Approved Until September 2013
Ubeda, Francisco	Assistant Professor	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology	Approved Until Tenure
Zhang, Mingjun	Associate Professor	Mechanical, Aerospace, & Biomedical Engineering	Approved Until Tenure
Zhang, Zhili	Assistant Professor	Mechanical, Aerospace, & Biomedical Engineering	Approved Until Tenure
Zhu, Xiaoyan	Assistant Professor	Industrial Engineering	Approved Until Tenure

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.